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Amendments to the Drawings:

None

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action of 19 October 2005 required Election/Restrictions between Group I (Claims 1-23) & Group II (Claim 24) because the inventions are alleged to be independent and distinct. Applicants respectfully elect with traverse. each objection to the specification and drawings and each rejection of the claims.

Election: Applicants elect Group I (Claims 1-23) with traverse.

Traverse: Applicants contend that Group I and Group II operate on the same principles and are therefore not distinct.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or underpayments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 & § 1.17; and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2201 held in the name of U.S. Army Materiel Command.

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The undersigned hereby certifies that this Election/Restriction is being sent by facsimile (FAX) to 571-273-8300 as of Wednesday, November 09, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,
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